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Secretary's Office, December 15, 1938.

To James J. Sughrue, *Director of Registrations*.

Sir:—In compliance with the requirements of chapter 112 of the General Laws, the Board of Registration in Veterinary Medicine submits its annual report for the fiscal year 1938.

Seven persons have applied for registration during the year, all of whom have been examined. All of these applicants were graduates of Veterinary schools authorized to confer degrees in veterinary medicine.

The number of persons examined this year is seven, and the results are given in the following table:

	Examined	Registered
July examination	7	7

The following men have successfully passed our examinations during the year:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Graduate of—</i>
Arlein, Myron Saul	Iowa State University
Bulger, Edward Campbell	University of Pennsylvania
Draper, Andrew Malcolm	New York State Veterinary College
Favata, Benedict Victor	New York State Veterinary College
Jones, William Dudley	Ontario Veterinary College
Poulin, Howard Carter	Ontario Veterinary College
Schofield, Richard Clark	Ontario Veterinary College

Since the organization of the Board, January 1, 1904, 612 certificates of registration have been issued.

During the year the Board has held four meetings and one examination.

According to the rules of the Board, all applications for examination must be made upon blanks furnished for this purpose by the secretary, and returned to him at least three days before the date of examination, properly executed and accompanied by a fee of \$15. A ticket or letter of admission to the examination, showing the date and the applicant's number, is issued on the receipt of this application. Tickets are also issued to rejected applicants entitled to re-examination if applied for three days before the date of examination. By a ruling of the Board, if there are a sufficient number of applicants, examinations are held twice annually. The law requires that these examinations shall be wholly or in part in writing, in the English language, and shall be of a scientific and practical character. They shall include the subjects of anatomy, physiology, surgery, animal parasites, obstetrics, pathology, bacteriology, diag-

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nosis and practice, therapeutics, materia medica, and veterinary dentistry, and shall be sufficiently thorough to test the applicant's fitness to practice veterinary medicine. There is usually an average of eight questions in each subject, and the answer to each question is marked on a scale of 0 to 100, after which the applicant's general average is computed. In this connection, it should be borne in mind that the name of the applicant is unknown to any examiner, with the exception of the secretary. Each examination book bears a number, upon which the examiner reports his rating.

Since its organization, the Board has held 62 examinations.

During the life of the Board there have been 757 applicants for registration in veterinary medicine; of this number 612 were granted registration, 138 were refused registration, and 7 have not appeared for examination.

The following table lists the veterinary schools from which the applicants were graduated, and the results of their examinations. The table also lists the number of non-graduates who have been registered, and those refused registration.

Registered as a result of									
	Examined	First Exam.	Second Exam.	Third Exam.	Fourth Exam.	Fifth Exam.	Sixth Exam.	Seventh Exam.	Refused
Alabama Polytechnic Institute	2	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	1
Chicago Veterinary College	25	12	4	3	1	1	—	—	4
College of Physicians and Surgeons	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Columbia Veterinary College	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Cornell University	14	13	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Correspondence School	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14
George Washington University	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Grand Rapids Veterinary College	5	1	3	—	—	—	—	—	1
Harvard Medical School	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Harvard Veterinary School	8	7	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Indiana Veterinary School	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Iowa State College	9	9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kansas City Veterinary College	3	3	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kansas State College	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Laval Veterinary College	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
McGill University	4	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
McKilip Veterinary College	8	4	1	—	—	—	1	—	2
Michigan State Agricultural College	6	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
National Veterinary College	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
New York American Veterinary College ..	8	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
New York State Veterinary College	24	23	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Ohio State University	29	28	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Ontario Veterinary College	56	32	3	3	—	—	1	1	16
Royal College, Dublin, Ireland	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Royal Superior Veterinary College, Naples	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Royal Veterinary College, England	1	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Royal Veterinary College, Glasgow	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Terre Haute Veterinary College	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
United States College	11	6	1	—	—	—	—	—	4
University of Georgia	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
University of Pennsylvania	72	65	3	—	—	1	—	—	3
Non-Graduates	23	10	3	—	—	—	—	—	10
Totals	335	238	24	6	1	2	2	1	61

For the purpose of convenience the "correspondence school" is listed as a school, although it was not chartered, and had no right to issue degrees. It is to be noted that 14 men, graduates of this school, have been examined, who assumed that they had received a proper training in veterinary medicine, yet failed by our examination to demonstrate any knowledge of veterinary science. The result shows the absolute impracticability of teaching veterinary medicine by correspondence.

Graduates of the following veterinary schools are now eligible to membership in the American Medical Veterinary Association:

Alabama Polytechnic Institute, College of Veterinary Medicine
Colorado State College, Division of Veterinary Medicine
Iowa State College, Division of Veterinary Medicine
Kansas State Agricultural College, Division of Veterinary Medicine
L'Ecole de Medicine Veterinarie, Universite de Montreal
Michigan Agricultural College, Division of Veterinary Science
New York State Veterinary College, at Cornell University
Ohio State University, College of Veterinary Medicine
Ontario Veterinary College, Toronto University
State College of Washington, College of Veterinary Science
Texas Agricultural and Mechanical College, School of Veterinary Medicine
University of Pennsylvania, School of Veterinary Medicine

During the year the Board has investigated complaints against three individuals.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The receipts of the Board, which according to law have been paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth, have been as follows:

Form C, fees at \$15.00.....\$105.00

The expenses of the Board have been as follows:

Salaries	\$533.00
Other expenses.....	195.63
Total	\$728.63

Financial statement verified.

Approved.

GEORGE E. MURPHY,
Comptroller

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. LENTZ, *Chairman*
ELMER W. BABSON, *Secretary*
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